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## **State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers**

**OLYMPIA** — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

### **Chelan County**

In June of 2011 the Department of Health withdrew a statement of charges against chemical dependency professional **Olive Marie Harding**, also known as **Olive Marie Serene** and **Olive Marie Eriksson** (CP00003036).

### **Clark County**

In June of 2011 the Department of Health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Katherine M. Jenkins** (NA60139950), who failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

### **Cowlitz County**

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least 10 years the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Leevi P. Bondurant** (NA60145220),

NC60170799), who was convicted in Cowlitz County Superior Court of third-degree child rape, a class C felony.

### **Grant County**

In June of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Larry D. Barr** (LP00052160) after the California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians revoked his credential to practice in that state.

### **Grays Harbor County**

In June of 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended for at least five years the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Kaci Lynn Comstock** (NA60079017, NC60068714). Comstock was convicted in Lewis County Superior Court of first-degree theft, a class B felony. She took checks from a client and the client's husband, and forged them for about \$7,700.

### **King County**

In June of 2011 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System Program entered into an agreement with emergency medical technician **Douglas B. Henderson** (ES60179107) under which his credential is suspended for at least three years. Henderson was convicted in King County Superior Court of vehicular assault (driving under the influence), a class B felony, and of reckless driving, a gross misdemeanor, after a vehicle he was driving struck the rear of a van carrying seven passengers, at least three of whom were injured.

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least two years the health care assistant credential of **Holly S. Daquila** (HC00147953). While working at a clinic, Daquila made unauthorized telephone prescription orders for hydrocodone. She also altered a prescription for hydrocodone.

In June of 2011 the Medical Quality Assurance Commission withdrew a statement of charges against physician **Timothy H. Massey** (MD00030689).

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least two years the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Brandy S. Legg** (NA60080149, NC60084904). While working at an adult family home, Legg diverted about six Vicodin tablets and replaced them with over-the-counter pain medication.

In June of 2011 the Department of Health entered into an agreement with registered nursing assistant **Margaret D. Yee Lim** (NA60174305) under which her credential is suspended. On her credential application, she falsified information about her training and background.

### **Lewis County**

In June of 2011 the Counselor Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Nathaniel T. Yanez** (CO60185708), who failed to comply with a previous agreement.

### **Pierce County**

In June of 2011 the Department of Health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **John Russell Stahle** (NA60063685), who failed to comply with a previous agreement.

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least five years the registered nursing assistant credential of **Melissa Rachael Jones** (NA60186019), who was convicted in Maricopa County, Ariz., Superior Court of facilitation to commit illegal control of an enterpriser class 6, a felony.

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least three years the certified nursing assistant credential of **Carolyn T. Ballea** (NC10053100). While taking care of a client who required 24-hour support, Ballea left the client unattended for about an hour. The client fell while trying to get to the bathroom.

In June of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Travis A. Bourbonnais** (LP00059920) after the Minnesota Board of Nursing indefinitely suspended his credential to practice in that state.

In June of 2011 the Dental Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of dental assistant **Erica L. Wallace** (D160056757), who failed to comply with a previous agreement.

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least two years the health care assistant credential of **Karen M. Cendejas** (HC60112934). Cendejas stole prescription slips, forged prescriptions for Percocet for herself and for another employee of the medical group for which she worked, and abused Percocet.

In June of 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program permanently revoked the certified nursing assistant credential of **Clarence R. Wahleithner Sr.** (NC10044198). He was convicted in Pierce County Superior Court of three counts of first-degree identity theft, class B felonies; three counts of first-degree theft, class B felonies; and one count of second-degree theft, a class C felony.

### **Snohomish County**

In May of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission withdrew a statement of charges against registered nurse **Lori Denise Zahler** (RN00107343).

In June of 2011 the Department of Health ordered **Justin D. Whetstone** to cease and desist from the unlicensed practice of medicine and fined him \$7,000.

In June of 2011 the Dental Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of dental assistant **Christina R. Pond** (D1.60151315), who failed to comply with a previous agreement.

### **Spokane County**

In June of 2011 the Department of Health suspended for at least five years the registered nursing assistant credential of **Thomas Stradling** (NA00023764). While owning and operating two adult family homes, Stradling asked to borrow \$70,000 from a patient, and did borrow \$10,000 from that patient. Stradling also borrowed \$15,000 from a second patient. Both patients were vulnerable adults.

In June of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission withdrew a statement of charges against licensed practical nurse **Linda J. Ashley** (LP00031687).

In June of 2011 the Nursing Program indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Evalina K. Vaughn** (NA60028154), who failed to comply with a previous order.

### **Walla Walla County**

In June of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Carmen L. Hunter** (RN00117144), who failed to comply with a previous agreement.

### **Out of State**

**California:** In June of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **John J. Givens** (RN00145503), who failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

**North Carolina:** In June of 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Belinda Faye Jones** (RN60072949) after the North Carolina Board of Nursing restricted her credential to practice in that state.

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